THE EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION IN WHICH AN EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY OR PRIVILEGE IS CLAIMED ARE DEFINED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A method for building a web-based application comprising:
 - (a) displaying a top level menu of types;
 - (b) showing within each level appropriate schemas;
 - (c) recursively traversing the schema information to build cascading menus or toolbars;
 - (d) showing for each element all attributes; and
 - (e) building a fully qualified path or relative path based on XSL patterns when a programmer selects a level.